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1. Varna is the headquarters of the Bulgarian Admiralty. Naval bases are located at Varna, Ruse, Burgas, and Sozopol. [] confirming the existence of Naval schools at Varna and Ruse. At Varna is also located a 4-year officers' training school which now has 500-600 students. In the school are many Soviet officers in civilian dress who serve as instructors. The best of the graduates are sent for final training to the Naval academies of Odessa or Leningrad in the USSR. The official name of this school is Voenno Morsko Uchilishte (Naval War School).

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2. At Varna, there is also alleged to be a Naval training school for boys between the ages of 10 and 20. The school was founded in 1951 and is known as the "Nakhimov" school. During the 1951-1952 year it had 200 students. The teachers are Bulgarians. Duration of courses is not known.

3. Police general headquarters for the Varna district occupy a 4-story building on the central square. The director is Colonel Khristo Simeonov, described as a brutal man, []. There are four police subdistricts in the city, in each of which there are three State Security officers. The State security police have headquarters of their own in a 3-story building.

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4. [] the Varna police district has about 400 men, with 50 or 60 officers. An Army internal security unit of 600 men occupies barracks 10 kilometers southeast of the city. In addition to Simeonov, [] the following police personalities, all noted for their brutality:

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a. Captain Dzhangozov, chief of the criminal division of the Varna district; []

b. Major Valentin Petrov, of the State Security of Burgas, [] and

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c. Lieutenant Colonel Stefan Karagev, of the State Security of Sofia.

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